

Environmentally Friendly Buses Enter Service in Falls Church, Va.

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority recently began operating four SLF 200 buses from Thomas Dennis Company for a new transit system in the suburban city of Falls Church, Va. The new service—named “GEORGE,” after George Washington—is designed to transport passengers to and from WMATA’s Metrorail stations located in the east and west corridors of Falls Church.

The low floor buses are equipped with an environmentally friendly exhaust gas recirculation system, which reduces emissions, pollutants, and nitrogen oxide levels that contribute to smog.

“The SLFs will make a wonderful addition to our environmentally conscious community,” said Dionne Williams, communications director for the city of Falls Church. “The vehicle’s EGR system will significantly reduce pollutants in the air, providing our commuters with a clean, efficient method of transportation.”

In December, WMATA introduced the GEORGE vehicles to the public at several locations in Falls Church. Residents had an opportunity to tour the buses, and received additional information on the vehicle’s transit schedule.



David Gardner, mayor of the city of Falls Church, Va., outside the GEORGE bus.